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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Takao SAWABE et al.)
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Application No.: 09/288,643)
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Filed: April 9, 1999)
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AND APPARATUS FOR REPRODUCING)
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Sir:

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

— This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- ☐ Previously submitted:
- ☐ Please consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____ (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.

- ☒ Enclosed:
- ☐ Supplemental Reply
- ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☐ Form 1449
- ☒ Other: Preliminary Amendment filed with RCE under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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2. Miscellaneous

☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

☐ Other: _____.

3. Fees Calculation

(a) RCE Fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

- ☒ \$770.00
☐ \$385.00 (for small entity)

(b) Additional Claims

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| CLAIMS AS AMENDED | | | | | | |
|---|---|-------|--------------------------------|------------------|---------------|------------|
| | Claims Remaining After Amendment | | Highest No. Previously Paid | Present Extra | at Rate of | Total Fees |
| Total Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(c)) | 18 | minus | 38 | 0 | x \$18 each = | + \$0.00 |
| Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)) | 3 | minus | 8 | 0 | x \$84 each = | + \$0.00 |
| [] First presentation of Multiple dependent claim(s) | | | | | \$280.00 | + \$0.00 |
| SUB-TOTAL = | | | | | | \$0.00 |
| Reduction by ½ for filing by a small entity | | | | | | - \$0.00 |
| TOTAL FEE = | | | | | | \$0.00 |

(c) Extension of Time

- ☐ Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.
- ☒ Applicants petition for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below.

| Total Months Requested | Fee for Extension | Fee for Small Entity |
|--|----------------------|-------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> one month | \$ 110.00 | \$ 55.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> two months | \$ 420.00 | \$210.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> three months | \$ 950.00 | \$475.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> four months | \$1,480.00 | \$740.00 |

An extension for three months is required to extend the period for response through January 7, 2004 because a Notice of Appeal was filed in this application on August 7, 2003.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a Petition therefor.

4. Fee Payment

- ☐ Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$_____.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Deposit Account No. 50-0310 in the amount of **\$1,720.00**, representing \$770.00 for the RCE filing fee, and \$950.00 for the three-month extension of time fee.


☒ **EXCEPT** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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